

Charter Amendments

11/4/1980

BY COMMISSIONERS - AMENDMENT #1

Shall Section 7.50 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to provide that a person who has been elected to fill a vacancy in an elective office serve in that office until the term of that elective office would have expired had no vacancy occurred?

For - 14,747
Against - 4,380

PASSED

11/3/1981

AMENDMENT #1 - BY PETITION

Shall section 1.30 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to limit the powers of the county to those specifically granted by charter and those provided by state law to counties that have not adopted a charter?

For - 5,798
Against - 4,345

PASSED

11/3/1981

AMENDMENT #2 -BY PETITION

Shall Section 4.20 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to prohibit the Commissioners, either directly or indirectly, except in the performance of their legislative powers, from supervising, directing, or controlling any officer or employee who is subject to the supervision of a county elected official?

For - 6,172
Against - 4,098

PASSED

11/3/1981

AMENDMENT #3 - BY COMMISSIONERS

Shall Section 11.10.10 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to change the date of the election of a charter review commission to November, 1982 instead of November, 1984, and every seven years after November, 1983, instead of November, 1985?

For - 6,152
Against - 3,691

PASSED

11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #1

LIMITATIONS ON COUNTY POWERS

Shall Sections 1.10 and 1.30 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to limit the powers of the County to those specifically granted in the Charter and those provided by state law to counties not operating under the Charter form of government?

For - 6,167
Against - 8,027

FAILED

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11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #2

ELECTION OF COMMISSIONERS BY DISTRICT

Shall Section 2.20 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to provide for election of the County Commissioners by commissioner District?

For - 5,968

Against - 8,334

FAILED

11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #3

ORDINANCE REQUIRED FOR LEGISLATIVE ACT

Shall the Clallam County Charter be amended to define the terms "resolution" and "ordinance" and to require the Commissioners to exercise their legislative power by adoption and enactment of ordinances?

For - 7,297

Against - 6,147

PASSED

11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #4

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENTS

Shall Section 5.10 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to leave the existence of the Department of Public Works and Department of Administration to the discretion of the Board of Commissioners, rather than be mandated by Charter and to require that all agencies, departments, or offices created after the adoption of this amendment be established, modified or terminated by ordinance?

For - 4,711

Against - 9,021

FAILED

11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #5

DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS AND PLANNING

Shall the Clallam County Charter be amended to create a Department of Permits and Planning, headed by an elected Director, for the purpose of consolidating the functions and duties of existing land use and development permit departments, (Planning, Building and those duties of the Environmental Health Department relating to sewage disposal and water supply) under one department?

For - 5,163

Against - 9,208

FAILED

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11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #6

ELECTED OFFICIALS - POWERS AND DUTIES

Shall Section 4.20 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to mandate that the Auditor, Assessor, Treasurer and Sheriff utilize the personnel, budgeting, purchasing, property control and records management systems established by the County Commissioners through ordinance?

For - 8,107
Against - 6,015

PASSED

11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #7

ELIMINATING ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR POSITION

Shall Article VI of the Clallam County Charter be deleted to eliminate the position of Administrative Coordinator and a new Section 5.50 be created to establish a Commissioner's Assistant position, which will have no executive or administrative authority over any county office or department, other than those delegated by the Commissioners, regarding the operation of the Commissioners office?

For - 5,301
Against - 8,485

FAILED

11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #8

BUDGET PROCESS

Shall Sections 9.10, 9.30, 9.40, 9.50 and 9.70 be deleted from the Clallam County Charter and be replaced by new provisions requiring the County's budget to be adopted in compliance with State law; requiring the Commissioners to hold informal budget meetings with each department head or elected official and to prepare a budget message explaining the proposed budget; and requiring the final budget hearing to be conducted on the latest date allowed by State law?

For - 7,633
Against - 6,117

PASSED

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11/8/1983

**AMENDMENT #9
LIMITED AUTHORIZATION OF MULTI-YEAR
CONTRACTS**

Shall Section 9.80 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to allow the County to enter into multi-year contracts without necessitating the adoption of an ordinance, so long as such contracts provide that payment of County funds for subsequent fiscal years is contingent upon the County's adoption of the necessary appropriations in accordance with the County's budget process?

For - 6,473
Against - 7,266

FAILED

11/8/1983

**AMENDMENT #10
COMMISSIONERS SUPERVISION OF
PERSONNEL SYSTEM**

Shall Section 10.10 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to require that the Personnel system be operated, supervised and budgeted as a program of the Commissioner's office?

For - 5,279
Against - 8,633

FAILED

11/8/1983

**AMENDMENT #11
EXEMPTION FROM PERSONNEL SYSTEM**

Shall Section 10.20 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to provide that personnel in the Sheriff's Office currently serving in positions designated as unclassified service pursuant to the State Civil Service Act, be exempt from the County's personnel system?

For - 5,639
Against - 8,089

FAILED

11/8/1983

**AMENDMENT #12
NON-DISCRIMINATION**

Shall Section 10.30 of the Clallam County Charter be amended by deleting the current listing of impermissible grounds for discrimination and replace it with a general provision requiring the County in the exercise of its powers on in the performance of its duties to ensure that no person is subjected to discrimination as defined by applicable provisions of Federal and State law?

For - 6,673
Against - 7,276

FAILED

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11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #13

EMPLOYEE TERMINATION HEARING

Shall Section 10.40 of the Clallam County Charter, which provides County employees with the right to a public hearing before the Board of Clallam County Commissioners upon suspension or dismissal from county employment, be deleted?

For - 6,380

Against - 8,144

FAILED

11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #14

CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ELECTION

Shall Section 11.10.10 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to provide for the election of a Charter Review Commission every five years after November 1983; to require that each member be a resident of the Commissioner's district that he or she represents; to provide that each member be elected by district; to require the Commission to convene within 30 days of their election and serve a one year term from the date of said election?

For - 7,600

Against - 6,198

PASSED

11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #15

**REVIEW COMMISSIONS PROPOSING
REPEAL OF CHARTER**

Shall Sections 11.10.30 and 11.20.20 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to allow the Charter Review Commission to propose repeal of the Charter?

For - 4,416

Against - 9,032

FAILED

11/8/1983

AMENDMENT #16

REPEAL OF CHARTER BY PEOPLE

Shall Section 11.20.50 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to decrease the number of signatures of registered voters required to initiate repeal of the Charter from 35% to 20%?

For - 4,067

Against - 9,976

FAILED

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11/8/1983

**AMENDMENT #17
CLAIMS AGAINST COUNTY**

Shall Section 12.40 of the Clallam County Charter be amended to delete the requirements that legal actions commenced against the County, be brought within sixty days after the filing of a claim with the County?

For - 7,254
Against - 6,744

PASSED

11/7/1989

**AMENDMENT #1
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE**

Shall the elective offices of Auditor and Treasurer be eliminated and a Department of Finance created effective January 1, 1991, whose appointed director shall have those powers and duties which apply to County Auditors and Treasurers under law and who shall have those duties common to corporate chief financial officers?

For - 3,953
Against - 7,437

FAILED

11/7/1989

**AMENDMENT #2
NON-PARTISAN ELECTIONS**

Shall all elected offices, except for the County Commissioners and Prosecuting Attorney, be non-partisan?

For - 6,879
Against - 4,339

PASSED

11/7/1989

**AMENDMENT #3
ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEMS COMPLIANCE**

Shall all elected officials exercise the powers and duties of their respective offices as provided by state law and utilize the personnel, budgeting, purchasing, property control and records management systems established thorough ordinance to the extent permitted by state law?

For - 7,834
Against - 2,521

PASSED

11/7/1989

**AMENDMENT #4
ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR TITLE CHANGE**

Shall the title of Administrative Coordinator be changed to Administrator?

For - 5,686
Against - 4,676

PASSED

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11/7/1989

**AMENDMENT #5
INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES**

Shall the name of the independent candidate who receives a number of votes equal to or greater than any candidate otherwise entitled to be placed upon the general election ballot and who receives a plurality of the votes cast for independent candidates in the primary election for that office be placed upon the general election ballot?

For - 8,728
Against - 2,140

PASSED

11/7/1989

**AMENDMENT #6
COMMISSIONER DISTRICT BOUNDARIES**

Shall each county commissioner district boundary be contiguous, with boundaries between districts running generally north and south?

For - 7,463
Against - 2,710

PASSED

11/7/1989

**AMENDMENT #7
COMMISSIONER DISTRICT VOTING PRECINCTS**

Shall each county commissioner district be composed of whole voting precincts to the maximum extent possible?

For - 8,418
Against - 1,841

PASSED

11/7/1989

**AMENDMENT #8
DISTRICTING COMMISSION**

Shall the county commissioner district Districting Commission be composed of members who shall serve without compensation and who shall be appointed by each of the County Commissioners, each of whom shall be prohibited from holding that position, and by each major political party as such party is defined by state law?

For - 6,615
Against - 3,055

PASSED

11/7/1989

**AMENDMENT #9
BUDGET HEARING DATE**

Shall the county budget hearing be conducted on or before the latest date allowed by state law?

For - 8,694
Against - 1,557

PASSED

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11/8/1994

AMENDMENT #1 ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONERS

Shall the number of county commissioners be increased from three (3) to five (5), the additional commissioners to be elected in November, 1995, after the new commissioner districts have been created?

For - 8,909
Against - 13,857

FAILED

11/8/1994

AMENDMENT #2 CLAIMS FILING PROCEDURE

Shall claims for damages against Clallam County be filed in a manner to be established by the Board of County Commissioners?

For - 9,668
Against - 11,567

FAILED

11/8/1994

AMENDMENT #3 DEATH INVESTIGATIONS

Shall the Board of County Commissioners have the authority to create a death investigation system?

For - 10,096
Against - 11,687

FAILED

11/8/1994

AMENDMENT #4 CHARTER COMMISSION REVIEWS

Shall the next Charter Review Commission be elected in the year 2001 and every five(5) years thereafter?

For - 14,178
Against - 6,187

PASSED

11/8/1994

AMENDMENT #5 INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES

Shall Independent Candidates for office be nominated and elected according to the procedures set forth in State Law except that only the Independent Candidate receiving the highest number of votes cast for Independent Candidates in the Primary Election for a particular office advances to the General Election ballot?

For - 14,722
Against - 5,806

PASSED

Charter Amendments

11/8/1994

AMENDMENT #6

ORDINANCE ADOPTION PROCEDURES

Shall Ordinances be adopted in the manner prescribed by State Law except Emergency Ordinances which may continue to be adopted without a Public Hearing?

For - 9,088

Against - 11,412

FAILED

11/7/1995

AMENDMENT #7

HEARING EXAMINER SYSTEM

Shall a hearing examiner system be established for consideration of land and shoreline development issues and for the conduct of other non-legislative hearings as determined by the Board of County Commissioners?

For - 9,924

Against - 8,375

PASSED

11/5/2002

AMENDMENT #1

**DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has proposed amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning the Director of the Department of Community Development. This proposal would convert the appointed position of Director of the Department of Community Development into an elected office and would establish the duties and responsibilities of the office. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 13,811

Rejected - 10,439

PASSED

11/5/2002

AMENDMENT #2

ADMINISTRATOR

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has proposed amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning the Administrator. This proposal would add language regarding the selection, qualifications and duties and responsibilities of the position. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 18,137

Rejected - 5,394

PASSED

Charter Amendments

11/5/2002

AMENDMENT #3

COMMISSIONER DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has proposed amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning the redistricting of County Commissioner districts. This proposal would establish a priority of factors to be considered when redistricting, establish new timelines for the redistricting process and provide for public hearings. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 17,029
Rejected - 6,008

PASSED

11/5/2002

AMENDMENT #4

NON-PARTISAN PRIMARIES

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has proposed amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning non-partisan primaries. The proposal would require a primary for non-partisan offices only when there are three or more candidates for the office. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 15,857
Rejected - 7,718

PASSED

11/5/2002

AMENDMENT #5

INITIATIVE, MINI-INITIATIVE, AND REFERENDUM

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has proposed amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning the initiative, mini-initiative, and referendum. The proposal would delete existing Home Rule Charter Sections 8.10 through 8.80, inclusive, and replace them with new provisions for the initiative, mini-initiative and referendum process. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 9,924
Rejected - 10,625

FAILED

11/4/2003

**AMENDMENT #1
COMMISSIONER ELECTIONS AND RECALL
BY DISTRICT**

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has proposed amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning the election of County Commissioners. This proposal would provide for the election of County Commissioners by district and not county wide beginning in 2005 and would further provide for the recall by district of County Commissioners by district. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 9,703
Rejected - 10,3700

FAILED

11/4/2003

**AMENDMENT #2
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION**

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has proposed an amendment concerning the financial administration of the County. The proposal provides for multiple public hearings, adoption of fiscal policies, preparation of a budget narrative and a mid-year budget review. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 12,951
Rejected - 5,744

PASSED

11/4/2003

**AMENDMENT #3
REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS**

The Clallam County Home Rule Charter Review Commission has proposed an amendment concerning real estate transactions. The proposed amendment would make it the responsibility of the County Commissioners to execute real estate documents, except where that duty falls upon another County officer pursuant to state law and would authorize real estate leases for a period not to exceed that permitted by state law. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 9,496
Rejected - 8,459

PASSED

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11/4/2003

AMENDMENT #4 PERSONNEL SYSTEM

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has proposed an amendment concerning the County personnel system. The proposal would provide for a county career service for personnel system members who assume positions exempt from the personnel system and would provide for personnel hearings to be conducted before a hearing examiner. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 7,434
Rejected - 10,265

FAILED

11/4/2003

AMENDMENT #5 LEGISLATIVE ACTS

The Clallam county Board of Commissioners has adopted an ordinance proposing amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning regular ordinances. This proposal provides that a legislative act is one which has the force of law. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 7,493
Rejected - 10,228

FAILED

11/4/2003

AMENDMENT #6 CODIFICATION OF ORDINANCES

The Clallam County Board of Commissioners has adopted an ordinance proposing amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning the codification of ordinances. This proposal provides that franchises would be exempt from compilation in the county code. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 6,425
Rejected - 10,835

FAILED

11/4/2003

AMENDMENT #7 BUDGET MESSAGE

The Clallam County Board of Commissioners has adopted an ordinance proposing amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning the budget message. This proposal removes the requirement that the Board of commissioners adopt an ordinance establishing fees for copies of the budget. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 9,131
Rejected - 8,735

PASSED

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11/4/2003

AMENDMENT #8 CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION

The Clallam County Board of Commissioners has adopted an ordinance proposing amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning election of a Charter Review Commission. This proposal provides that the Charter Review Commission would be elected in 2011 and every 10 years thereafter. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 7,667

Rejected - 10,713

FAILED

11/6/2007

AMENDMENT #1 INSTANT RUN-OFF VOTING

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has proposed amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning instant runoff or rank choice voting for candidates for elected County offices except judges and the Prosecuting Attorney. This amendment would authorize the County Commissioners to adopt an ordinance that would allow for instant runoff or rank choice voting to be used in place of the current method of voting. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 10,145

Rejected - 12,212

FAILED

11/6/2007

AMENDMENT #2 EMINENT DOMAIN

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has proposed amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning eminent domain. This amendment would require that private property taken by the County would only be for public use and not primarily or substantially for economic development purposes. It would further require that any interest taken by the County be limited only to that which is necessary to accomplish the public use. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 20,579

Rejected - 3,199

PASSED

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11/6/2007

**AMENDMENT #3
DIRECTOR OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has proposed amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning changing the manner of selecting a specific County officer. This amendment would change the manner of selecting the Director of the County Department of Community Development from direct election by the voters to appointment by the County Commissioners. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 9,697
Rejected - 13,320

FAILED

11/6/2007

**AMENDMENT #4
INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES**

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has Proposed amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning independent candidates. This amendment would remove the existing provision regarding independent candidates from the Clallam County Home Rule Charter and thereby bring the Charter into compliance with existing state laws on partisan primaries. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 15,434
Rejected - 6,106

PASSED

11/6/2007

**AMENDMENT #5
FREQUENCY OF CHARTER REVIEW**

The Clallam County Charter Review Commission has Proposed amending the Clallam County Home Rule Charter concerning the frequency with which the Clallam County Home Rule Charter is reviewed. This amendment would require the County Commissioners to cause an election of a Charter Review Commission commencing with the state-wide general election in November 2014 and every eight (8) years thereafter. Should this proposal be:

Approved - 14,246
Rejected - 7,131

PASSED